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Application No.: 10/700,936
Confirmation No.: 5983
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Examiner: Kahsay Habte
Group Art Unit: 1624
Applicants: Randy S. Bethiel et al.
For: COMPOSITIONS USEFUL AS INHIBITORS OF JAK AND
OTHER PROTEIN KINASES

July 13, 2006
Cambridge, Massachusetts

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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the January 13, 2006 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have concurrently submitted herewith a petition to extend the time for a reply by three months, up to and including July 13, 2006, and have authorized the Director to charge the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3). Consequently, this reply is timely submitted.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this Reply.

Remarks begin at page 24 of this Reply.

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